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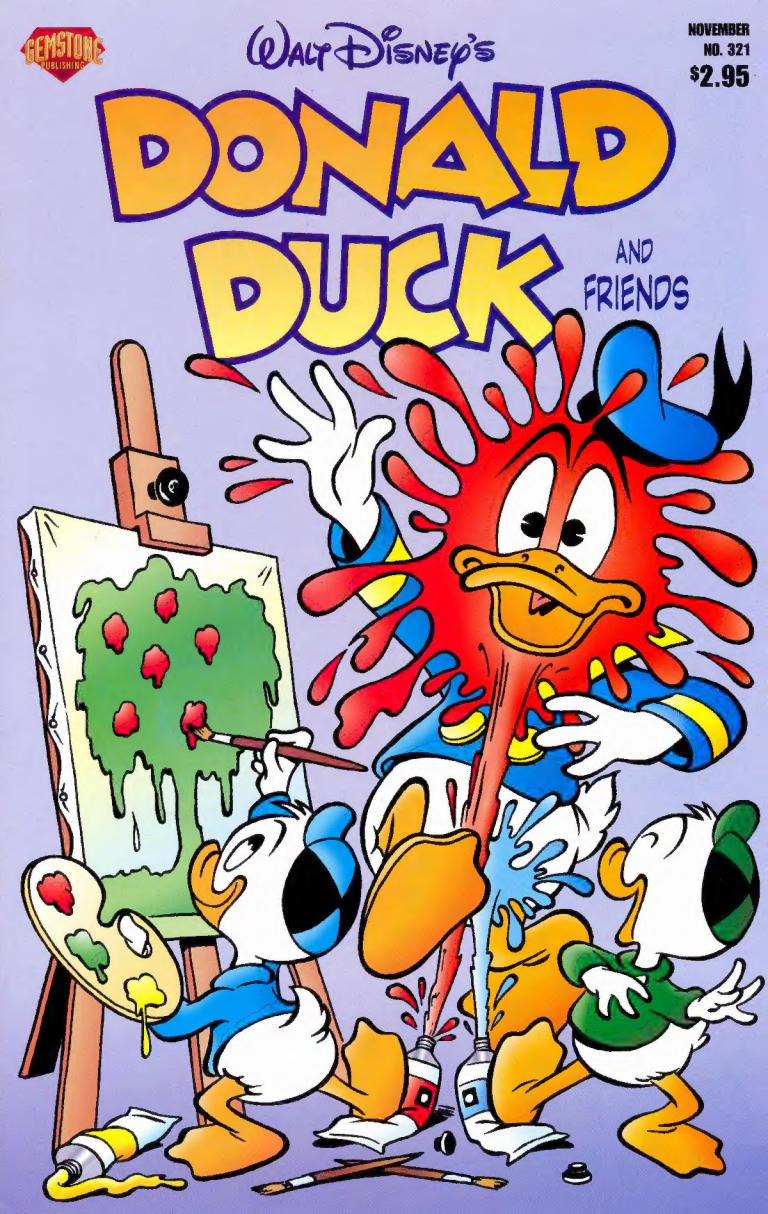

This marks the first issue of *Donald Duck and Friends* in which we will feature a classic Carl Barks ten-page Donald story as part of the line-up. This is a modification that has been requested by a great many of our readers, and I trust this edition's selection, "Snow Fun," from *Walt Disney's Comics and Stories* 40—published 60 years ago!—will fit the bill.

For those of you who are just discovering the works of Barks for the first time, you're in for a treat. He is one of the most respected writer/artists of Disney comic book stories who has ever lived and he contributed literally hundreds of tales featuring the Ducks to Disney literature during his lifetime. And all of them are considered classics by collectors.

Taking "Snow Fun" as an example, I'll point out how extraordinary it is that a story that was written six decades ago can still be so fresh and entertaining today. To be sure, some of Barks' work is dated, containing references to Word War II and other topical events of the times. But the vast majority is not. The man was truly a genius.

Barks produced so many wonderful ten-pagers that my challenge truly is to choose which ones to reprint first, so all you readers with a knowledge of the works of Barks can help me out. Write and let me know which ten-page Donald Duck stories you would most like to see in these pages. Perhaps there's one that hasn't been reprinted in a long time. Or maybe there's one that you feel is so good it needs to be presented again, for the enjoyment of a new audience. We'll do our best to accommodate your wishes. Until then, you'll be presented with my favorites, so come back next month for "Wintertime Wager," from 1948. The story that introduced Gladstone Gander!

— John Clark

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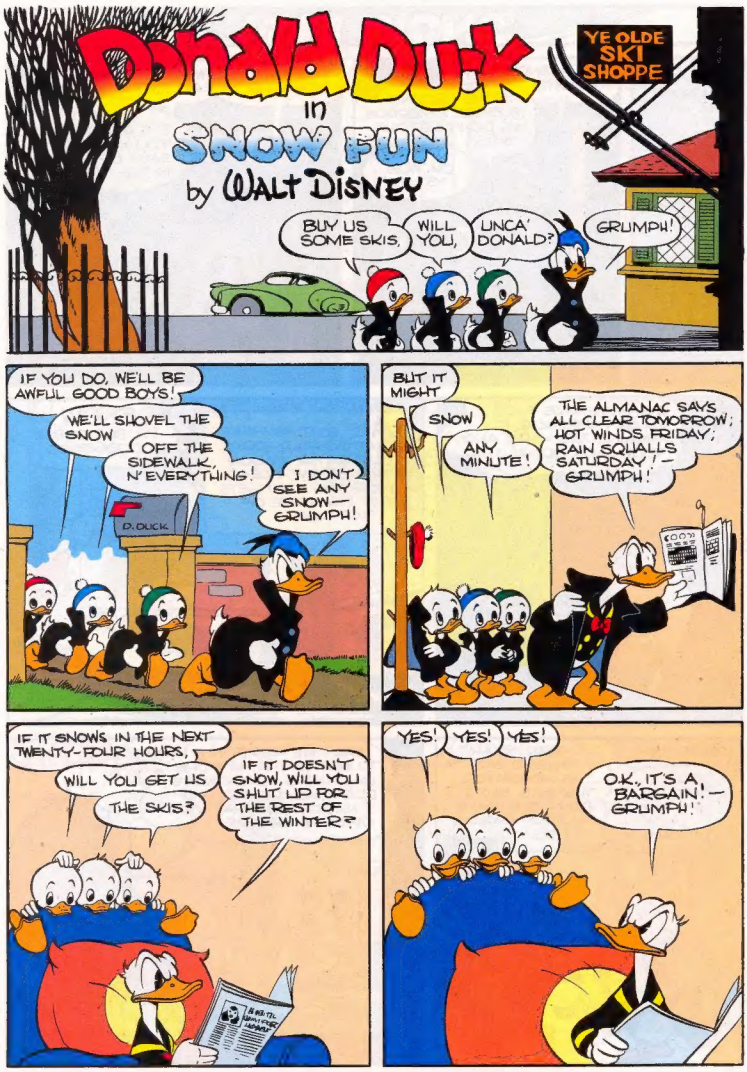

Donald Duck
in
SNOW FUN
by Walt Disney
YE OLDE SKI SHOPPE
BUY US SOME SKIS, WILL YOU, UNCA' DONALD?
GRUMPH!
IF YOU DO, WE'LL BE AWFUL GOOD BOYS!
WE'LL SHOVEL THE SNOW
OFF THE SIDEWALK, N' EVERYTHING!
I DON'T SEE ANY SNOW— GRUMPH!
D. DUCK
BUT IT MIGHT
SNOW
ANY MINUTE!
THE ALMANAC SAYS ALL CLEAR TOMORROW; HOT WINDS FRIDAY; RAIN SQUALLS SATURDAY! — GRUMPH!
IF IT SNOWS IN THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS,
WILL YOU GET US THE SKIS?
IF IT DOESN'T SNOW, WILL YOU SHUT UP FOR THE REST OF THE WINTER?
YES! YES! YES!
O.K., IT'S A BARGAIN! — GRUMPH!

SNOW FUN

THROUGH THE LONG NIGHT HOURS THE KIDS ANXIOUSLY WATCH THE STARRY SKY!

NOT A SNOWFLAKE IN SIGHT!

IF THE GROUND IS BARE TOMORROW, WE DON'T GET THE SKIS!

OH, WOE IS US!

IT'S NEARLY MORNING!

WE MAY AS WELL GO TO SLEEP!

NO! WAIT! I'VE GOT AN IDEA! YOU KNOW THAT SACK OF GYPSUM IN THE GARAGE?

IT'S WHITE LIKE SNOW! WE CAN SPRINKLE IT AROUND THE YARD AND FOOL UNCA' DONALD!

AND SO IT HAPPENS THAT DONALD LOOKS OUT OF THE WINDOW THIS BRIGHT, CLEAR MORNING AND GETS THE SURPRISE OF HIS LIFE!

SNOW! I'LL BE DOUBLE DOGGONED!

REMEMBER YOUR BARGAIN, UNCA' DONALD!

YEAH! YEAH! I HAVE TO GIVE YA THE MONEY FOR THE SKIS, BUT I DON'T SEE HOW IT SNOWED - DARNED IF I DO!

THEY'RE SURE IN A HURRY TO GET TO THE SKI STORE!..... UH - THAT'S FUNNY WHITE DUST THEY'RE KICKIN' UP! I NEVER SAW THAT KIND OF SNOW BEFORE!

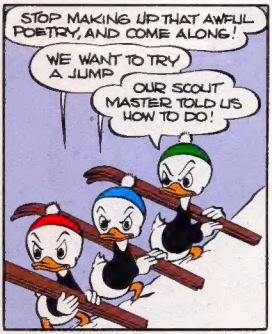
SNOW FUN

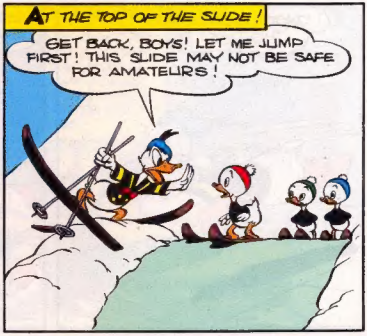
I'M GONNA HAVE A LOOK AT THIS STUFF!
IT ISN'T SNOW AT ALL! IT'S — I SEE!
I'VE BEEN GYPPED WITH GYPSUM!
THOSE KIDS'LL RUE THIS DAY!
LINCA' DONALD'S WISE!
WE HAVE TO BEAT HIM TO THE SKI SHOP!
GIVE ME BACK MY MONEY, YOU SWINDLERS!
UNNOTICED BY DONALD AND THE KIDS, A SUDDEN SNOWSTORM HAS BLOWN UP!
SHOPPE
SKIS SKATES SLEDS
I WANT MY MONEY! IT HASN'T SNOWED, YOU FAKERS!
HASN'T SNOWED? WHAT D'YA CALL THIS STUFF?
YE OLDE SKI SHOP

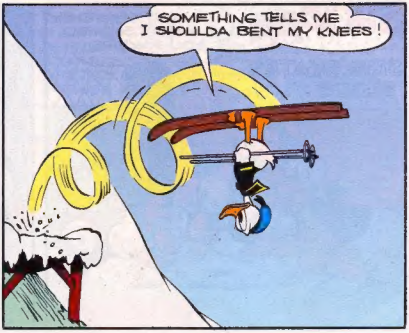
SNOW FUN

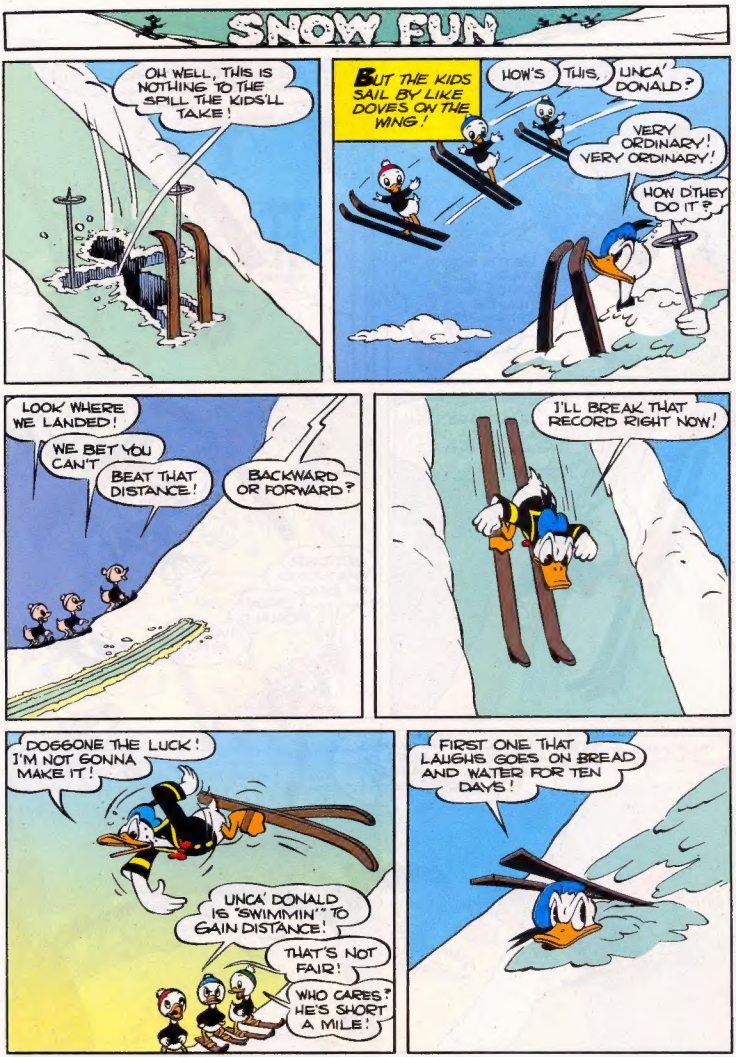
DONALD KNOWS WHEN HE IS LICKED — HE NOT ONLY BUYS SKIS FOR THE KIDS, BUT BUYS A FANCY PAIR FOR HIMSELF!

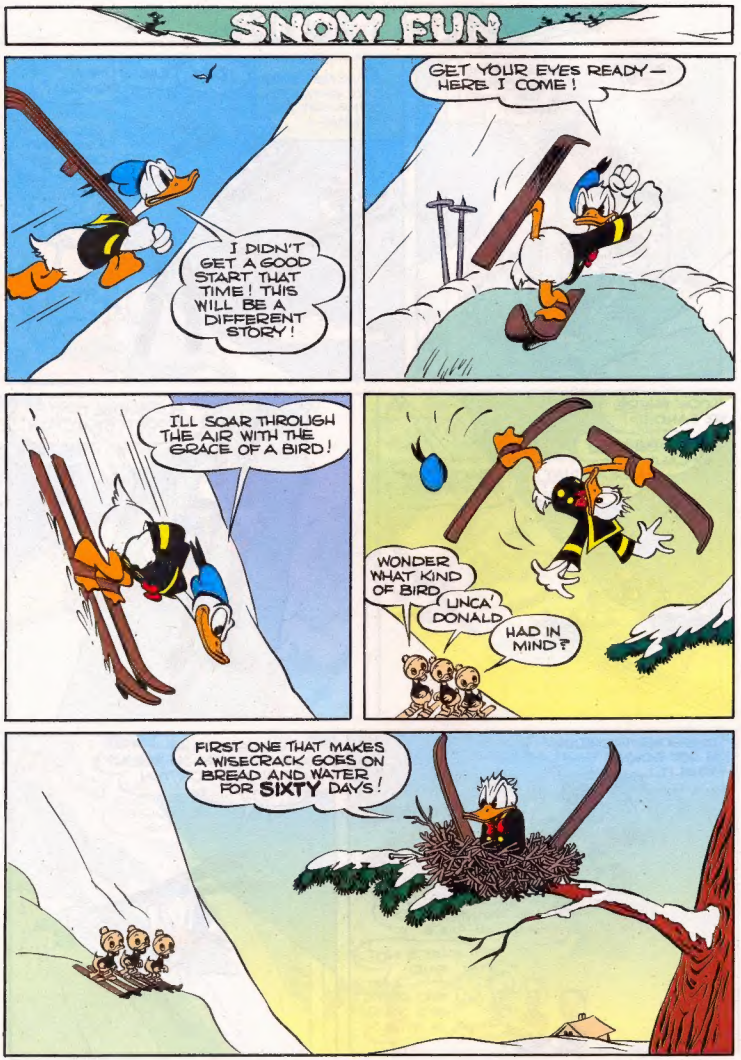
NOW HE IS IN A HAPPY MOOD — TOO HAPPY!





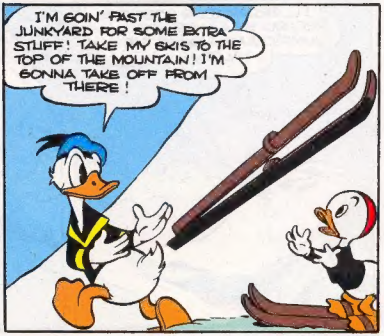


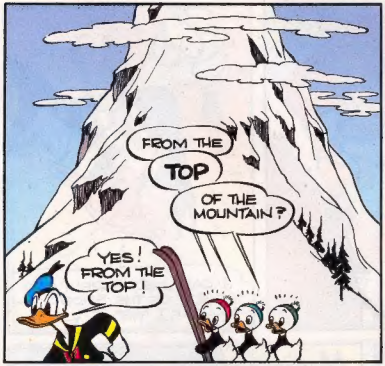

SNOW FUN
OH WELL, THIS IS NOTHING TO THE SPILL THE KIDS'LL TAKE!
BUT THE KIDS SAIL BY LIKE DOVES ON THE WING!
HOW'S THIS, UNCA' DONALD?
VERY ORDINARY! VERY ORDINARY!
HOW D'THEY DO IT?
LOOK WHERE WE LANDED!
WE BET YOU CAN'T BEAT THAT DISTANCE!
BACKWARD OR FORWARD?
I'LL BREAK THAT RECORD RIGHT NOW!
DOGGONE THE LUCK! I'M NOT GONNA MAKE IT!
UNCA' DONALD IS "SWIMMIN'" TO GAIN DISTANCE!
THAT'S NOT FAIR!
WHO CARES? HE'S SHORT A MILE!
FIRST ONE THAT LAUGHS GOES ON BREAD AND WATER FOR TEN DAYS!


SNOW FUN
I DIDN'T GET A GOOD START THAT TIME! THIS WILL BE A DIFFERENT STORY!
GET YOUR EYES READY— HERE I COME!
I'LL SOAR THROUGH THE AIR WITH THE GRACE OF A BIRD!
WONDER WHAT KIND OF BIRD
UNCA' DONALD
HAD IN MIND?
FIRST ONE THAT MAKES A WISECRACK GOES ON BREAD AND WATER FOR SIXTY DAYS!

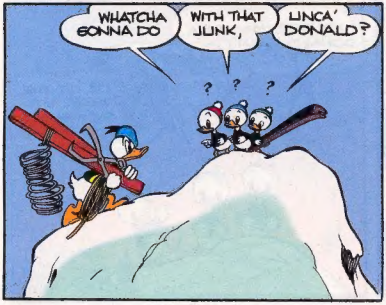
SNOW FUN

I KNOW WHAT'S WRONG! THIS DINKY SLIDE IS TOO SHORT FOR A BIG MAN LIKE ME! I NEED A LONGER TAKE-OFF!


I'M GOIN' PAST THE JUNKYARD FOR SOME EXTRA STUFF! TAKE MY SKIS TO THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN! I'M GONNA TAKE OFF FROM THERE!

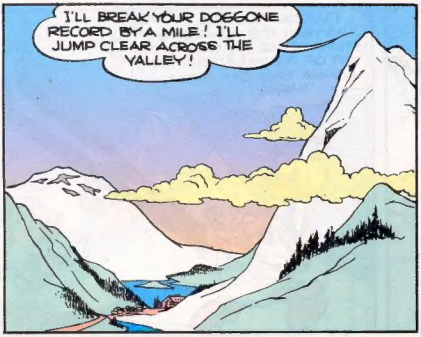

FROM THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN?
YES! FROM THE TOP!

WHEW! WE MADE IT!
IT'S ALMOST STRAIGHT DOWN TO THE TOP OF THE SLIDE!
A PERSON'D DROP DOWN HERE LIKE A CANNON BALL!

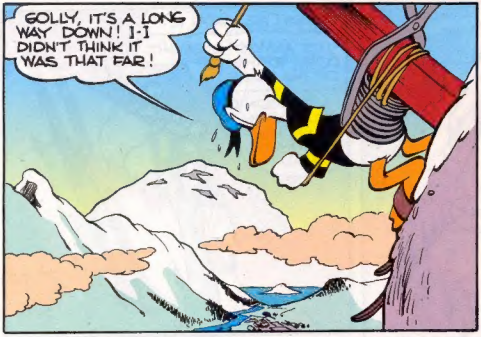

WHATCHA GONNA DO WITH THAT JUNK, LINCA' DONALD?

I'M GONNA MAKE A CATAPULT TO GIVE ME MORE SPEED!

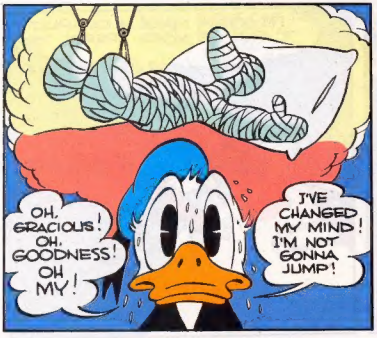
SNOW FUN

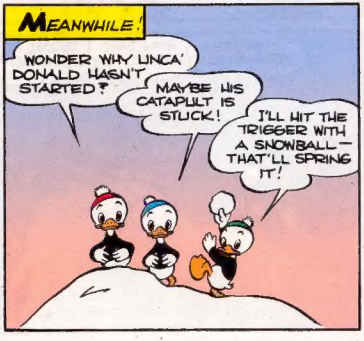

I'LL BREAK YOUR DOGGONE RECORD BY A MILE! I'LL JUMP CLEAR ACROSS THE VALLEY!

GET BACK! GET 'WAY BACK! WHEN I PULL THIS ROPE THE SPRING WILL SHOOT ME AWAY LIKE A ROCKET!

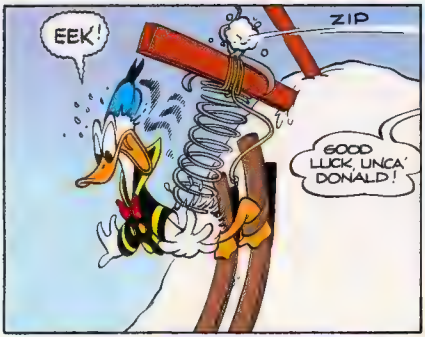

GOLLY, IT'S A LONG WAY DOWN! I-I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS THAT FAR!

I CAN JUST BARELY SEE THE TOP OF THE SLIDE! WHAT IF I MISS?

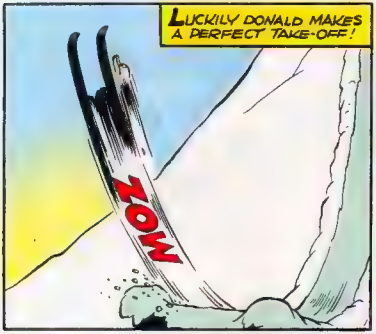

OH, GRACIOUS! OH, GOODNESS! OH MY!
I'VE CHANGED MY MIND! I'M NOT GONNA JUMP!

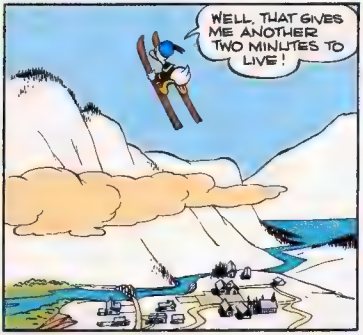

MEANWHILE!
WONDER WHY LINCA' DONALD HASN'T STARTED?
MAYBE HIS CATAPULT IS STUCK!
I'LL HIT THE TRIGGER WITH A SNOWBALL— THAT'LL SPRING IT!

SNOW FUN


EEK!
ZIP
GOOD LUCK, UNCA' DONALD!

MY KINFOLK'S WILL BE SORE 'CAUSE I DIDN'T TELL 'EM GOODBY!


LUCKILY DONALD MAKES A PERFECT TAKE-OFF!
ZOW


WELL, THAT GIVES ME ANOTHER TWO MINUTES TO LIVE!

HEY! I'VE COME CLEAR ACROSS THE VALLEY! I'M GONNA BE ALL RIGHT!

BY PULLIN' MY SKIS UP A LITTLE I CAN EVEN SAIL ON DOWN INTO THE NEXT VALLEY! YIPPEE! THIS IS A NEW WORLD'S RECORD!

SNOW FUN

BUT-
THIS DOGGONE TREE HAD TO GET IN THE WAY!
FLIP
IF I HAD ONLY LANDED WHEN I HAD A CHANCE!
THUD!
WHERE AM I, BOYS? DID I BREAK YOUR RECORD?
NO, UNCA' DONALD!
ACCORDING TO THIS TAPE,
YOU'VE ONLY JUMPED SIX FEET!
THE END

THE MOUNTAIN OF YOUTH!

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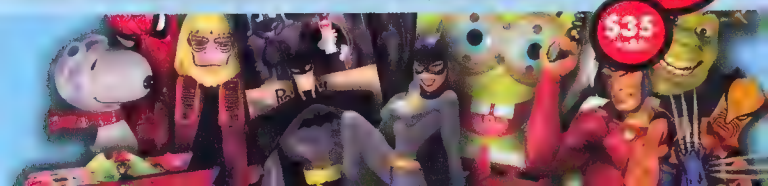

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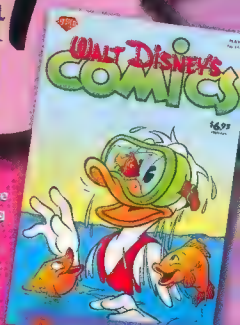

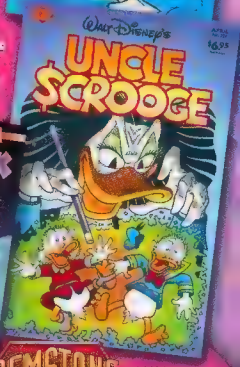

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WHILE HELPING NOONEY RICKETTS RUN HIS HORROR MOVIE HOUSE, MICKEY AND GOOFY ARE ATTACKED BY A MONSTER! IT SEEMS NOONEY HAS BECOME A WEREWOLF! MICKEY MANAGES TO STUN THE CREATURE AND OUR HEROES ESCAPE! BUT —

ARRROOOO!
JEEPERS! THE FULL MOON HAS CHANGED GOOFY INTO A WOLFMAN! AND TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE, HERE COMES MINNIE TO MEET ME FOR OUR DATE!
YOO HOO! BOYS!
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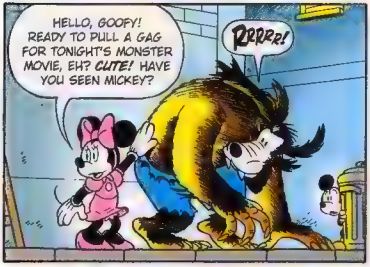
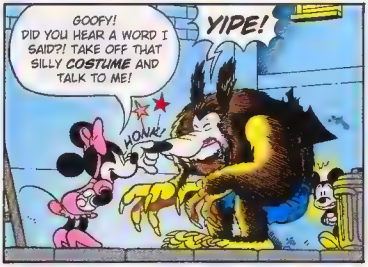
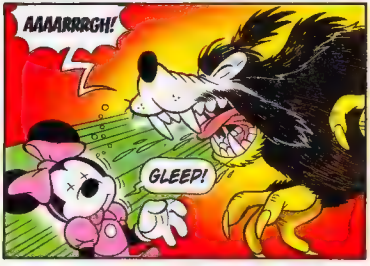
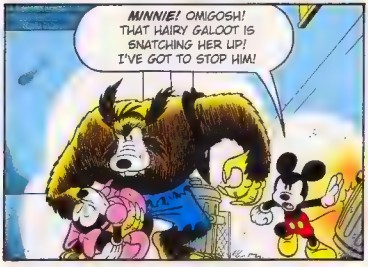
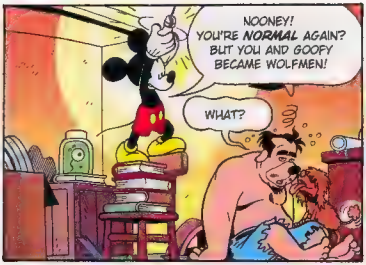


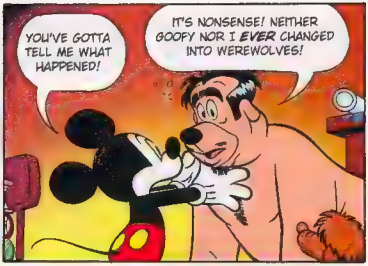


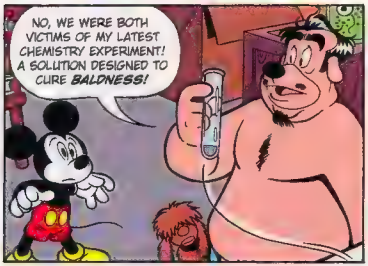


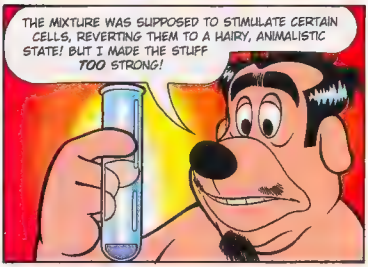


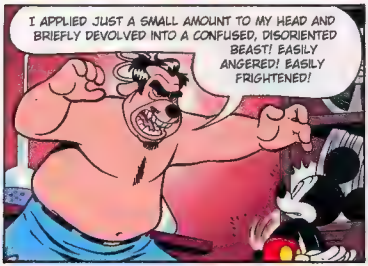
DROP HER, FUZZBALL! I DON'T CARE HOW FIERCE AND NASTY YOU ARE! NOBODY THREATENS MY GIRL!
AROOO!
OHO! RUNNING AWAY WITH YOUR TAIL BETWEEN YOUR LEGS, HUH?! WELL, YOU WON'T GET AWAY FROM ME!
HUFF! ON SECOND THOUGHT, MAYBE HE WILL!
EEEK! A MONSTER!
FLEE FOR YOUR LIVES!
OH NO! THE BEAST'S MAKING FOR THE ROOF OF THAT BUILDING!
AAAOOOOO!
DARN! I'LL NEVER CATCH THEM NOW! I'VE LET MINNIE DOWN! NOT TO MENTION POOR GOOFY! WHAT TO DO?
HOLD THE PHONE! NOONEY TURNED INTO A WOLF TOO! MAYBE I'LL FIND SOME ANSWERS TO THIS FREAK SHOW BACK AT THE THEATER!

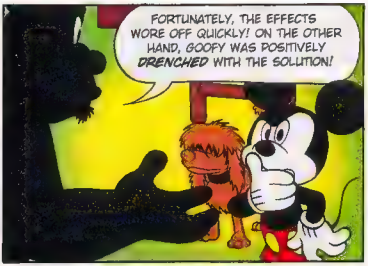

NOONEY! YOU'RE NORMAL AGAIN? BUT YOU AND GOOFY BECAME WOLFMEN!
WHAT?

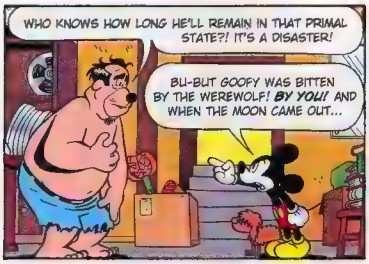

YOU'VE GOTTA TELL ME WHAT HAPPENED!
IT'S NONSENSE! NEITHER GOOFY NOR I EVER CHANGED INTO WEREWOLVES!

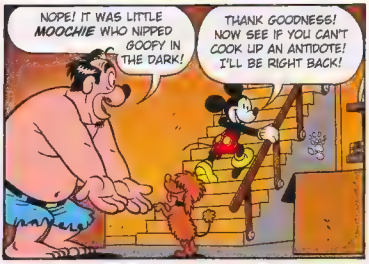

NO, WE WERE BOTH VICTIMS OF MY LATEST CHEMISTRY EXPERIMENT! A SOLUTION DESIGNED TO CURE BALDNESS!


THE MIXTURE WAS SUPPOSED TO STIMULATE CERTAIN CELLS, REVERTING THEM TO A HAIRY, ANIMALISTIC STATE! BUT I MADE THE STUFF TOO STRONG!

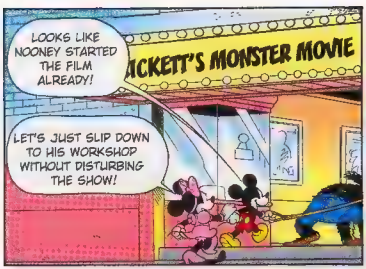

I APPLIED JUST A SMALL AMOUNT TO MY HEAD AND BRIEFLY DEVOLVED INTO A CONFUSED, DISORIENTED BEAST! EASILY ANGERED! EASILY FRIGHTENED!


FORTUNATELY, THE EFFECTS WORE OFF QUICKLY! ON THE OTHER HAND, GOOFY WAS POSITIVELY DRENCHED WITH THE SOLUTION!


WHO KNOWS HOW LONG HE'LL REMAIN IN THAT PRIMAL STATE?! IT'S A DISASTER!
BU-BUT GOOFY WAS BITTEN BY THE WEREWOLF! BY YOU! AND WHEN THE MOON CAME OUT...

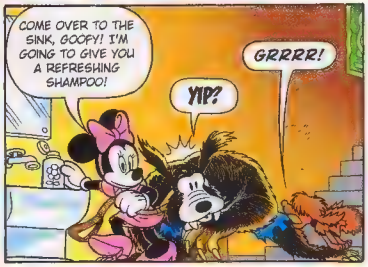

NOPE! IT WAS LITTLE MOOCHIE WHO NIPPED GOOFY IN THE DARK!
THANK GOODNESS! NOW SEE IF YOU CAN'T COOK UP AN ANTIDOTE! I'LL BE RIGHT BACK!

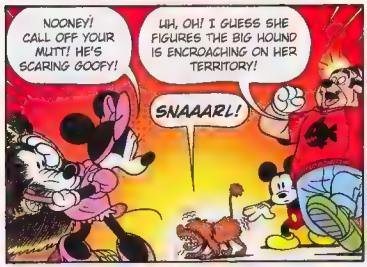
MICKEY FIGURES THE SCARED GOOF HAS HEADED HOME! AND SURE ENOUGH -
THERE'S MINNIE ALL RIGHT! SLEEPING PEACEFULLY ON GOOFY'S FRONT PORCH SWING! WHAT A HEEL I WAS TO THINK HE'D EVER HURT HER!
GOOFY
OOOH, MICKEY! I HAD A NIGHTMARE...
EVERYTHING'S OKAY, TOOTS! NOW WHERE'S GOO...
WHIMMMPER!
SHOULD'A KNOWN! ALL RIGHT, BUD! NOBODY'S GONNA HURT YOU! COME ON OUT! IT'S ME! MICKEY!
RRRRr!
YARF!
WHOA!
YUCK! KNOCK IT OFF, WILL'YA?
SHURR!
OKAY! WITH ANY LUCK, NOONEY'LL HAVE AN ANTIDOTE WHIPPED UP BY NOW! JUST TRY TO LOOK LIKE YOU HAVE A PEDIGREE, PAL!
RALF!

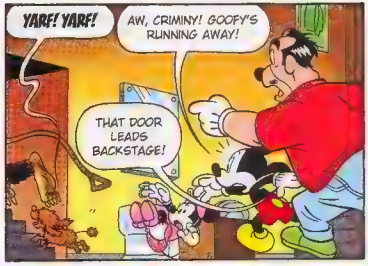

LOOKS LIKE NOONEY STARTED THE FILM ALREADY!
ACKETT'S MONSTER MOVIE
LET'S JUST SLIP DOWN TO HIS WORKSHOP WITHOUT DISTURBING THE SHOW!

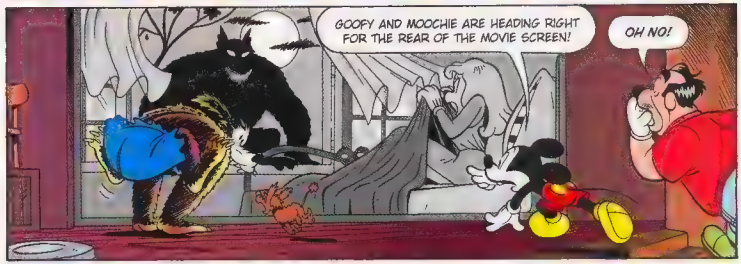
NOONEY! I HOPE YOU HAVEN'T BEEN SO BUSY WITH YOUR MOVIE THAT YOU'VE FORGOTTEN OUR LITTLE PROBLEM!
NO WAY, MICKEY!

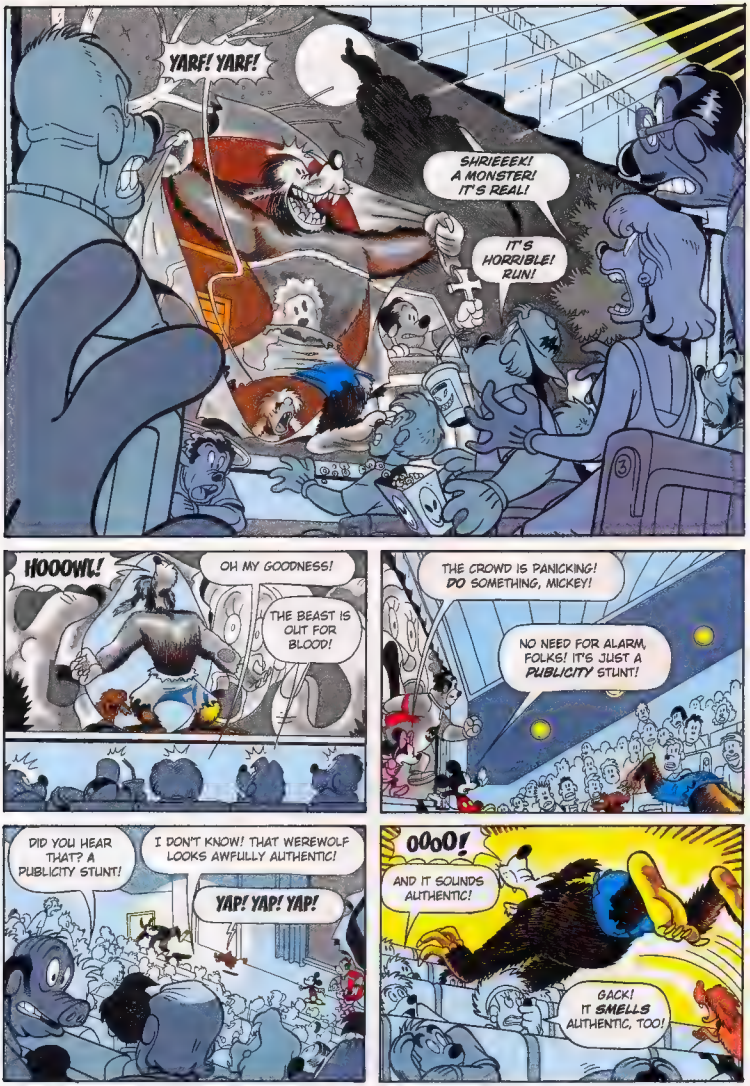
ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS WASH THE REMAINING SOLUTION FROM GOOFY'S HAIR! THAT'S IT! HE SHOULD REVERT TO HIS NORMAL SELF IN NO TIME AT ALL!


COME OVER TO THE SINK, GOOFY! I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A REFRESHING SHAMPOO!
GRRRR!
YIP?


NOONEY! CALL OFF YOUR MUTT! HE'S SCARING GOOFY!
UH, OH! I GUESS SHE FIGURES THE BIG HOUND IS ENCROACHING ON HER TERRITORY!
SNAAARL!


YARF! YARF!
AW, CRIMINY! GOOFY'S RUNNING AWAY!
THAT DOOR LEADS BACKSTAGE!


GOOFY AND MOOCHIE ARE HEADING RIGHT FOR THE REAR OF THE MOVIE SCREEN!
OH NO!


YARF! YARF!
SHRIEEEK! A MONSTER! IT'S REAL!
IT'S HORRIBLE! RUN!
HOOOWL!
OH MY GOODNESS!
THE BEAST IS OUT FOR BLOOD!
THE CROWD IS PANICKING! DO SOMETHING, MICKEY!
NO NEED FOR ALARM, FOLKS! IT'S JUST A PUBLICITY STUNT!
DID YOU HEAR THAT? A PUBLICITY STUNT!
I DON'T KNOW! THAT WEREWOLF LOOKS AWFULLY AUTHENTIC!
YAP! YAP! YAP!
OOOO!
AND IT SOUNDS AUTHENTIC!
GACK! IT SMELLS AUTHENTIC, TOO!

YEEEP! LET ME OUTTA HERE!
EH?
HUH?
FLOP!
CHOMP!
SWAP!
LOOK! BOTH OF THEM ARE FAMISHED! NEITHER WILL RELINQUISH THE WIENER!
SWELL! THIS'LL GIVE ME A CHANCE TO SET THINGS STRAIGHT!
EVERYBODY KNOWS THE BEST WAY TO BREAK UP A DOG FIGHT IS TO TURN A HOSE ON THE CRITTERS!
WHOOOSH!!
AND A HEALTHY DRENCHING OF GOOD OL' H2O IS JUST WHAT GOOFY NEEDS!
GLUP!
SPLOOOSH!

SPUTTER! SPLUT!
RRRMMM... MUH... HUH...
ER... MICKEY?
DID I JUST SCARE TH' DAYLIGHTS OUTTA THESE FOLKS? WHUT TH' HECK IS GOIN' ON?
CATCH YOUR BREATH, PAL! IT'S A LONG STORY!
WOW! AMAZING! WHAT A PUBLICITY STUNT! WHAT A SHOW!
LOOK AT THE CROWD! THEY LOVED IT! THIS GIVES ME A WONDERFUL IDEA!
I THOUGHT MY EXPERIMENT WAS A DISASTER! BUT IT'S THE GREATEST PR GIMMICK FOR THE THEATER YET!
I'LL MIX UP A NEW BATCH OF SOLUTION AND LET GOOFY CHANGE INTO A WEREWOLF AT EVERY PERFORMANCE!
HUH!
GAWRSH! THANKS BUT NO THANKS, NOONEY! GUESS I HAD ENOUGH O' GIVIN' PEOPLE TH' WILLIES!

WALT DISNEY'S
DONALD DUCK in Had a Gobbler
THANKSGIVING IN DUCKBURG! THE FROST IS ON THE PUMPKIN — AUTUMN CREEPS, DAYLIGHT DIMS, AND DONALD DUCK IS BUYING HIS TURKEY AT THE LAST MINUTE! AS USUAL!
GRACIOUS, SIX O' CLOCK! THE STORES WILL ALL BE CLOSING!
SWELL! CLOSING TIME IS WHEN LEFTOVER TURKEYS ARE SOLD MEGA-CHEAP!
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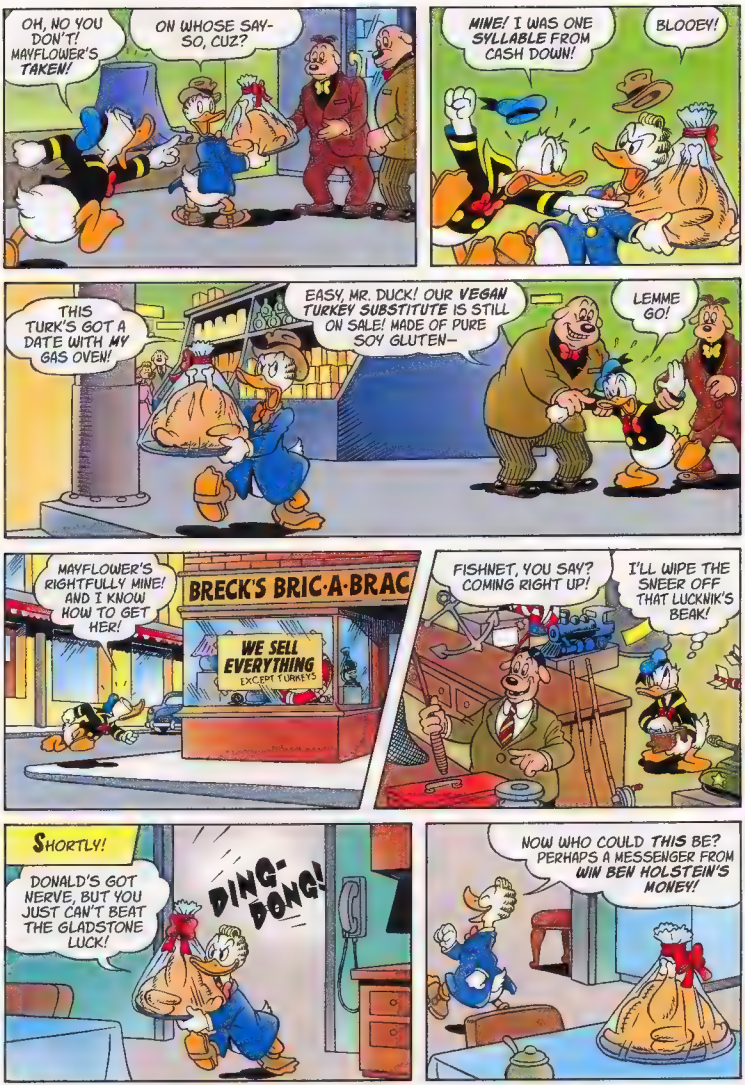
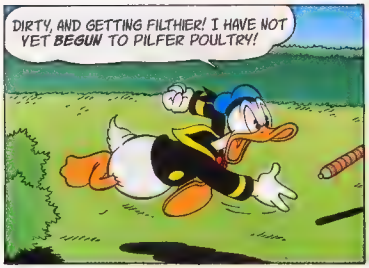
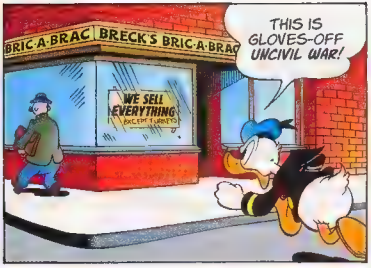
LEFTOVER TURKEYS? WHY, IT LOOKS LIKE BUTCHER McCANN DIDN'T HAVE NEARLY ENOUGH!
HRMPF! THERE ARE OTHER STORES!
TURKEYS SOLD OUT!
WELL?
THEY CUT BACK AFTER ORDERING TOO MANY LAST YEAR! BAH! BAH—
NO MORE TURKEYS
WHOLP! TOM TERRIFIC AT PILGRIM JOE'S!
OH, THANK GOODNESS! HURRY, DONALD!
PILGRIM JOE'S House -O- Harvest
SCREECH!

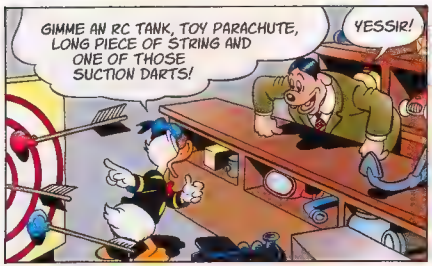
YOU BUY THE TURKEY! I'LL GET THE TRIMMINGS ACROSS THE STREET!
DONE IN ONE, TOOTS!
GIMME A TURKEY THE SIZE OF A RHINO!
PITY WE CAN'T, SIR! NO MORE TURKEYS ON SALE!
SO WHAT'S THAT? A GIANT QUAIL?
"MAYFLOWER", THERE? OH, YOU CAN'T BUY HER! SHE'S THE AS-YET-UNCLAIMED FIRST PRIZE IN OUR THANKSGIVING RAFFLE!
(SNORT!) UNCLAIMED AT CLOSING TIME MEANS THE WINNER MUST NOT WANT HER! TWENTY BUCKS SAYS SHE'S—
HI-HO, COUSIN! YOU FORGOT TO PUT A DIME IN THE PARKING METER!
WAK!
FAT PARKING TICKET FOR SURE! LUCKY I NOTICED, EH?
WELL! THAT'S THE FIRST FAVOR GLADSTONE GANDER'S EVER DONE ME!
CONGRATULATIONS, SIR!
CONGRATULATE MY LUCK! THE WINNING TICKET BLEW INTO MY HAND WHILE I WAS OUT FOR A STROLL!

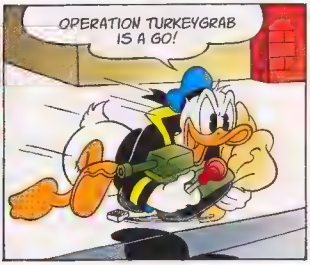

OH, NO YOU DON'T! MAYFLOWER'S TAKEN!
ON WHOSE SAY-SO, CUZ?
MINE! I WAS ONE SYLLABLE FROM CASH DOWN!
BLOOEY!
THIS TURK'S GOT A DATE WITH MY GAS OVEN!
EASY, MR. DUCK! OUR VEGAN TURKEY SUBSTITUTE IS STILL ON SALE! MADE OF PURE SOY GLUTEN—
LEMME GO!
MAYFLOWER'S RIGHTFULLY MINE! AND I KNOW HOW TO GET HER!
BRECK'S BRIC-A-BRAC
WE SELL EVERYTHING
EXCEPT TURKEYS
FISHNET, YOU SAY? COMING RIGHT UP!
I'LL WIPE THE SNEER OFF THAT LUCKNIK'S BEAK!
SHORTLY!
DONALD'S GOT NERVE, BUT YOU JUST CAN'T BEAT THE GLADSTONE LUCK!
DING-DONG!
NOW WHO COULD THIS BE? PERHAPS A MESSENGER FROM WIN BEN HOLSTEIN'S MONEY!

I'LL GOBBLE YOU, GOBBLER, OR KNOW THE REASON WHY!
MYSTERIOUS!
NOBODY HERE!
NEARLY, NEARLY—
MUSTA BEEN THE NEIGHBOR KIDS HAVING FUN! BACK TO THE OLD CARVING BOARD!
UK, OH!
RRIP!
SPLAT!
HOW'D YOU GET DOWN THERE, TURKEY-LURKEY?
ROLLED OFF THE TABLE... MAYBE! BUT I THINK I SMELL DIRTY WORK AFOOT!

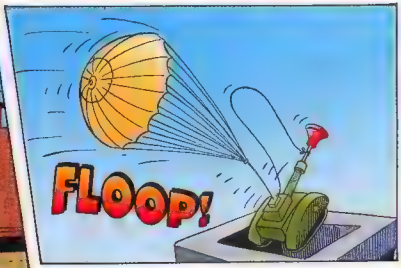

DIRTY, AND GETTING FILTHIER! I HAVE NOT YET BEGUN TO PILFER POULTRY!

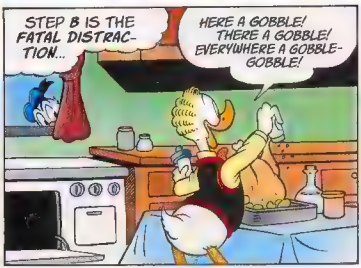

BRIC-A-BRAC
BRECK'S BRIC-A-BRAC
WE SELL EVERYTHING
EXCEPT TURKEYS
THIS IS GLOVES-OFF UNCIVIL WAR!


GIMME AN RC TANK, TOY PARACHUTE, LONG PIECE OF STRING AND ONE OF THOSE SUCTION DARTS!
YESSIR!


OPERATION TURKEYGRAB IS A GO!

STEP A IS THE SANTA CLAUS HIGH JUMP!


FLOOP!


STEP B IS THE FATAL DISTRACTION...
HERE A GOBBLE! THERE A GOBBLE! EVERYWHERE A GOBBLE-GOBBLE!

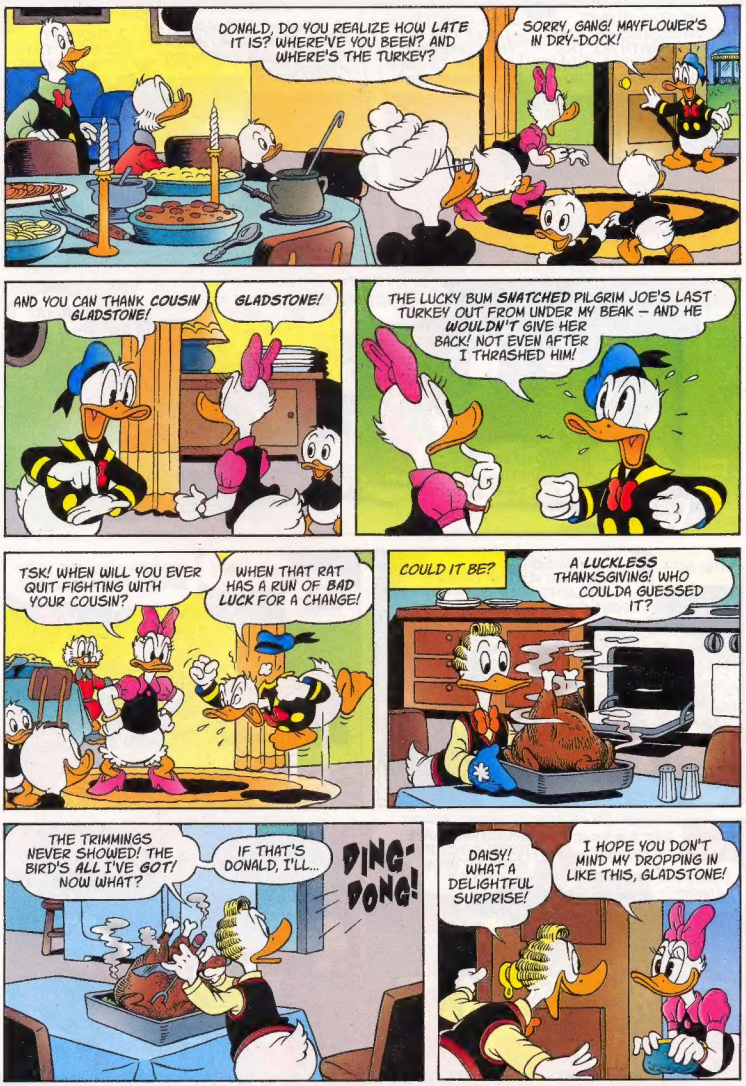
WHAZZAT?
POOMF!
HEH! HEH! HEH!
A RUNT PARACHUTE! AM I BEING INVADED BY GREEN SPACE MIDGETS?
(HEH!) NOT WITH MY LUCK! IT'S JUST THOSE KIDS NEXT DOOR AND THEIR HARMLESS GAGS AGAIN!
NOW! STEP C– THE SUCTION-TANK BIRD YANK!
TURKEY ONE! TURKEY TWO! TURKEY–
NOW WHERE WAS I? EEK!
THREEE!
TRIP!

SPLAT!
MORE TRICKS! THOSE KIDS ARE RAISING CAIN!
ANOTHER PLAN DOWN THE DRAIN! HOW CAN GLADSTONE BE THIS LUCKY?
IT'S ALL OR NOTHING NOW! TURBAN, WAISTBAND, SHARWANI ROBE AND STEP ON IT!
ONLY ONE OF EACH LEFT TODAY, MAC!
SOME COSTUME! YOU SURE KNOW HOW TO PARTY!
MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS! THIS IS NO PARTY!
THIS IS A BATTLE OF OPERATIC PROPORTIONS!
(SLORP!) I CAN TASTE 'EM NOW! TURKEY! STUFFING! CANDIED YAMS!

HOLD IT! STUFFING! YAMS! I FORGOT TO BUY TRIMMINGS!
AND WHO'S THAT?
DING-DONG!
RAJAH OF RUBADUB, GUV'NOR! MY ELEPHANT'S HAD A BREAKDOWN AND I SIMPLY MUST CALL A SERVICE STATION!
MY GOODNESS! COME RIGHT IN!
I'LL USE THE KITCHEN PHONE, DON'T YOU KNOW!
SWELL! I'LL BE IN HERE MEDITATING IF YOU NEED ME!
IT MAY BE TOO LATE TO BUY THOSE TRIMMINGS! BUT IF I SIT HERE AND THINK ABOUT THEM HARD ENOUGH, MY LUCK MIGHT BRING THEM TO ME...
LUCK
JUST A COTTON-PICKIN' MINUTE! HOW'D THAT RAJAH KNOW I HAD A PHONE IN THE KITCHEN?
LUCK
THANKS FOR THE FAVOR, OLD BEAN! I'LL AWAIT THE REPAIRMAN OUTSIDE!
HOLD THE LINE, PAL! YOU LOOK STRANGELY FAMILIAR!
(GULP!) I SHOULD, SHOULDN'T I? WE'RE BOTH DUCKS!
EXACTLY WHAT KIND OF ELEPHANT DO YOU HAVE?

(HRMPH! KOFF! KOFF!) UM... A BIG ONE! I SWEAT AT THE THOUGHT OF LOSING HER, GUV'NOR!
HMM! YOUR "SWEAT" LOOKS MORE LIKE TURKEY DRIPPINGS, RAJAH!
TURKEY? NO! NO! I'M FROM RUBADUB!
DROP BY SOMETIME AND I'LL SHOW YOU AROUND!
SWELL! I'LL COME OVER ON THE MAYFLOWER!
M-MAYFLOWER?
NOT UP YOUR SLEEVE! NOT UNDER YOUR CLOAK!
BIFF!
CRUNCH!
MAY I DEPART NOW, GUV'NOR?
YES, YES! TAKE THE HIGH ROAD, RAJAH!
OR THE LOW ROAD – COUSIN DONALD!

THE IDEA, STEALING MY TURKEY! YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELF!
BLOOEY!
THANKSGIVING'S THE TIME TO GIVE THANKS FOR WHAT YOU'VE GOT! NOT TO SWIPE OTHER DUCKS' SPOILS!
LOOK WHO'S TALKIN'! MAYFLOWER'S RIGHTFULLY MINE! AND I PROMISED MY GUESTS A TURKEY!
WHY SHOULD I CARE WHAT YOU PROMISED 'EM? YOU DIDN'T INVITE ME, DID YOU?
WHY SHOULD I? YOU'RE A SELFISH LUCKNIK WITH A TEXAS-SIZED EGO! (UNGH!)
(SIGH!) WHAT IN BLAZES DO I TELL DAISY NOW?
AND HOW TO PLEAD TURKEYLESSNESS TO GRANDMA, UNCLE SCROOGE AND THE BOYS?
IT'S NO USE! I'LL TAKE MY ROASTING LIKE A MAN!


DONALD, DO YOU REALIZE HOW LATE IT IS? WHERE'VE YOU BEEN? AND WHERE'S THE TURKEY?
SORRY, GANG! MAYFLOWER'S IN DRY-DOCK!
AND YOU CAN THANK COUSIN GLADSTONE!
GLADSTONE!
THE LUCKY BUM SNATCHED PILGRIM JOE'S LAST TURKEY OUT FROM UNDER MY BEAK — AND HE WOULDN'T GIVE HER BACK! NOT EVEN AFTER I THRASHED HIM!
TSK! WHEN WILL YOU EVER QUIT FIGHTING WITH YOUR COUSIN?
WHEN THAT RAT HAS A RUN OF BAD LUCK FOR A CHANGE!
COULD IT BE?
A LUCKLESS THANKSGIVING! WHO COULDA GUESSED IT?
THE TRIMMINGS NEVER SHOWED! THE BIRD'S ALL I'VE GOT! NOW WHAT?
IF THAT'S DONALD, I'LL...
DING-DONG!
DAISY! WHAT A DELIGHTFUL SURPRISE!
I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND MY DROPPING IN LIKE THIS, GLADSTONE!

DUE TO A SLIGHT MISUNDERSTANDING, I FIND MYSELF WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS FOR A THANKS-GIVING DINNER, BUT NO TURKEY!
SOME COINCIDENCE, DOLL! I'VE GOT THE TURKEY, BUT I FORGOT TO GRAB TRIMMINGS!
I KNEW MY LUCK WOULD BRING THEM TO ME! AND A POTLUCK IS IN THE SPIRIT OF THE PILGRIMS!
I THOUGHT YOU'D SAY THAT, GLADSTONE!
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IN FACT WE ALL THOUGHT YOU'D SAY THAT! WELL, MOST OF US, ANYWAY!
WAK!
AND SO—
THANKSGIVING IN DUCKBURG! AUTUMN CREEPS, DAYLIGHT DIMS, AND TOGETHER WE GIVE THANKS!
IT'S MINE!
NO, MINE!
FIGHTING OVER THE WISH-BONE! I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
I SAW IT FIRST!
BUT I GOT IT FIRST!
(SIGH!) WHEN ARE THOSE BOYS EVER GOING TO GROW UP?

Lars Jensen is quickly becoming one of my favorite writers. I'm more impressed every time I read another one of his stories. Coupled with the smooth, flowing art of Marco Rota (whom I'm a big fan of), "World's Apart" (*Donald Duck and Friends* 316) was a fun read. It actually had a lot of elements from my favorite episode of the entertaining yet short-lived show, *Quack Pack*. In the episode, Donald was abducted by aliens, sucked into a black hole, and transported back to prehistoric Earth where he was chased by a T-Rex. He got frozen in ice, thawed out in the present, and had to destroy a giant alien robot! Dinosaurs, aliens, and robots always make for a great story! I wonder if Lars was influenced by that episode, or was it just pure coincidence? Either way, I enjoyed it. Marco Rota has done at least three "Andold Wild Duck" stories. The next time you get your hands on a new one, please stop the presses and print it. I'm also interested in seeing the Italian stories where Donald has a superhero persona. I believe he is called Super Donald. They would probably be more suited to *Donald Duck Adventures*, since they're probably pretty long, being European. I'd like to see what kind of response they would get here in the States. Well, I'm off to help Gyro fix Donald's toaster. Keep the great comics coming.

—Mark Vancak
via email

Super Donald, aka PK Duck, is technically a character that falls outside of the terms of our current publishing license, so any plans to introduce the character in a continuing fashion would require a modification of said license. Having said that, we plan to reprint one PK Duck adventure, as a market test, in Donald Duck Adventures *14 next year. That's a way's off, but now you've been forwarned. Watch for it.*

"I'll build a boat of mud and you can build one of something else! Then we'll both try and sail back to Duckburg!"—Professor Grabgrant, unscrupulous rival of Donald's heretofore-unknown Cousin Sholto, delivering a classic springboard to adventure, from *DDF* 317.

And sail they do, in an enjoyable throwback tale seen through modern storytelling techniques. Cousin Sholto harkens back to those bygone days where cousins, uncles, and the like were created for Donald and Mickey, seemingly by the truckload, strictly for the purpose of whisking them off on "This Issue's Adventure," and would most likely never been seen again.

In my opinion, this yarn would have been perfectly suited for Ludwig Von Drake to have assumed the role Sholto was created for. We seldom, if ever, see "Uncle Ludwig" in mainstream duck comics, and this seemed a perfect opportunity to have become reacquainted with him.

As for those "modern storytelling techniques," artist Marsal is to be commended for his page and panel layouts. Round and tilted panels overlapping one another, white-bordered panels within other panels, and character details "spilling-out" of some panels and into others made a lively, contemporary outing of a tale that might have otherwise been comfortably "at home" in an issue of *Donald Duck* circa 1965.

Oh, and it was nice to have Pluto drop by this issue to show us that "Dogs Just Wanna Have Fun!"

—Joe Torcivia
via email

I like to think of myself as a sophisticated, urbane, grown-up type. So it's always nice when a twist in a Donald Duck story can take me by surprise and remind me that I'm not as clever as I think I am.

The twist at the end of "Not Distant Enough" (*DDF* 317) totally foxed me. I hadn't thought of the stone heads being the answer to the Arbor Day Island mystery, but naturally, as soon as the solution was revealed, it made perfect sense. It was there all the time, plain as the nose on my… statue's… face. Anyway. Cousin Sholto was a nice addition to the duck family. My friend is a professor, so it was fun to see the academic squabbling between Sholto and his rival—screaming and smirking and throwing each other into the ocean. That's just what it's like in real life, too!

I was also tickled by the Pluto story, "Mascot Training." After the three soccer game stories, it's funny to see a story where the theme is that running around is more fun than participating in a formal competition. I wonder if anybody's told Morty and Ferdie that? My favorite part of this story was the way Pluto was drawn—he had a lot of character in every frame. There are some nice panels where Pluto looks bored, or resentful, or full of regrets… He's essentially a mime character, so it's great to see the artist paying attention to making his emotional state clear through the artwork.

Another great issue, guys! Thanks.

—Danny Horn
via email

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